INHIBITORS OF BINDING BETWEEN PROTEINS AND MACROMOLECULAR LIGANDS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Disclosed is a compound which inhibits binding between a target protein and a macromolecular ligand of the target protein. The compound comprises a targeting group, an attaching group and, optionally a linker group. In one aspect of the invention, the targeting group is a moiety that binds non-covalently to a surface of the target protein with a Kd of greater than about 0.1 µM and within sufficient proximity to the target protein/macromolecular ligand binding site to inhibit binding between the target protein and the macromolecular ligand. In another aspect of the invention, targeting group is degradable *in vivo*. In yet another aspect of the invention, the compound comprises a linker group that is cleavable *in vivo*.